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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 0323

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UN, XF, XS, US

SUBJECT: SWISS INQUIRY RE PLO STATUS

REF: USUN 0092

1. COUNSELOR EGYPTIAN MISSION VOLUNTEERED THAT PLO
REP (PRESUMABLY DAOUD BARAKAT, PRESS ATTACHE
YEMENI MISSION) WAS EXPLORING WITH SWISS AUTHORITIES
AT BERN HOW GOS MIGHT REACT TO A REQUEST FOR OPENING PLO
OFFICE AT GENEVA.

2. SWISS REPORTEDLY REPLIED THAT THEY WOULD FIRST LIKE
TO KNOW WHAT US HAD DONE RE PLO AT NEW NEW YORK, BUT ADDED
THAT THEY WOULD NOT NECESSARILY FEEL BOUND TO FOLLOW US
FORMULA. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, SWISS OFFICIAL THEN
OBSERVED THAT IF CALLED UPON SWISS AUTHORITIES
WOULD HAVE "NO DIFFICULTIES" IN WORKING OUT ARRANGEMENTS
FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE WITHOUT OFFICIAL STATUS
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THAT WOULD ALLOW PLO TO CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES

AS OBSERVER IN CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.
PLO REP IS SAID TO HAVE INSISTED THAT ANYTHING LESS
THAN "OFFICIAL STATUS" WAS UNACCEPTABLE. ABRAMS

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